National Clinical Quality Registry Program

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The National Clinical Quality Registry Program (the Program) aims to improve the quality of health care and ensure better health outcomes for Australian patients. It is designed to reflect the key priorities of the National Clinical Quality Registry and Virtual Strategy 2020-2030 (the Strategy).

This is the third communique providing updates on the Program. Further details can be found on the Department's <u>website</u>.

Latest news

A new Stream 2 Grant opportunity has opened, focussing on expanding national CQR coverage and enabling real-world surveillance. See <u>Grant Connect</u> for details.

A range of new CQR best practice guides are now available on the Department's website:

• Good Clinical Quality Registry Practice Guide

This Guide provides best practice training for hospital staff and clinicians as they begin participating in national CQRs.

Registry based trials Guide

This Guide provides national best practice guidance on how to conduct clinical trials within a registry setting.

A Registry Guide to Co-Designing Consumer Friendly Resources

The guide has been developed to help clinical quality registries to create clear, consumer-friendly resources from registry data.

Registry Establishment Cost Drivers

This Guide has been developed for clinical quality registries to support consistent, transparent, and informed decision-making when planning and funding registries.

• A Guide to Demonstrating Clinical Quality Registry impact

This document provides registries with the knowledge and practical tools to better understand and communicate the impact of their work

Fact sheets are also available to support new registries:

• Clinical Quality Registry (CQR) Establishment Feasibility

CQR Establishment Feasibility: This checklist helps consideration of whether developing a clinical registry is appropriate to answer your research question, or intended purpose.

• 10 Steps to establish a Clinical Quality Registry

This 10-step guide has been developed to provide a clear, structured approach to developing a clinical quality registry.

• Framework Reporting Assessment Tool

This tool helps registries assess their compliance with the Australian Framework for National Clinical Quality Registries 2024 and identify areas needing improvement.

Collated Case Studies

This showcases case studies from the SAHMRI Registry Centre, demonstrating the value and clinical relevance of registry reporting and outputs, and how registry data supports clinical insights and decision-making.

The Department has developed a <u>new interactive map</u> showing which hospitals and health services are currently participating in the CQRs funded under the National CQR Program.

Current and upcoming funding opportunities

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Outcomes of previous funding opportunities

Stream 1

Two national CQRs were successful in the recent Stream 1 (Round 2) process:

- The Australian and New Zealand Emergency Laparotomy Audit Quality Improvement
- The Australian and New Zealand Neonatal Network (ANZNN).

Stream 2

Four CQR projects were successful in the recent Stream 2 (Round 2) process:

National CQR Automation and Innovation Capacity Building Grants grant opportunity	
Grantee	Project Name
The Thoracic Society of Australia and New Zealand Limited	Transforming Severe Asthma Care: Transitioning the Clinical Quality Registry to digital surveys and real-time dashboards
University of New South Wales	Australian and New Zealand Neonatal Network (ANZNN) - Neonatal Collaborative Analytics & Reporting Environment (Neo-Care)
The University of Adelaide	My Kidney Insights: Development of an Interactive Reporting Dashboard for the Australia and New Zealand Dialysis and Transplant Registry
Southern Adelaide Local Health Network Incorporated	Australian and New Zealand Collaborative Perfusion Registry - Revolutionizing the Australian and New Zealand Collaborative Perfusion Registry

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